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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed June 15, 2005, in which a restriction requirement was made between claims 1-56, 58, 59 and 66-77 on one hand and claims 57 and 60-65 on the other hand, the applicant, by and through its undersigned attorney, hereby elects claims 1-56, 58, 59 and 66-77 for further prosecution in this application. The election is made with traverse.

While the claims of the two groups are related by method and apparatus, it is believed that the details of the apparatus recited in claims 57 and 60-65 are sufficiently closely related to the details of the method recited in the elected group of claims, that all the claims should be examined simultaneously. For example, compare claims 39 and 59 with claim 61. Economy in procedure will be obtained because it will be necessary to search subject matter relevant to both groups of claims when examining the elected group of claims. The references cited during the examination may be applicable to both sets of claims.

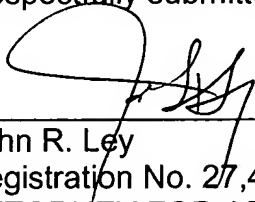
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For these and other reasons it is respectfully requested that all claims be examined simultaneously.

Respectfully submitted,

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